WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. An information processing method of recording or accumulating job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus connectable to an image forming apparatus, comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus;

a determination step of determining whether to

10 record or accumulate the job information acquired in
the acquisition step, in accordance with a driver which
generates data of the issued job; and

a recording/accumulation step of recording or accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.

- 2. An information processing method of recording or accumulating job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus connectable to an image forming apparatus, comprising:
- an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus;

a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in the acquisition step, in accordance with an output destination of a job corresponding to the job information; and

a recording/accumulation step of recording or accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.

- 3. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined in accordance with an image forming apparatus to which the job information has been issued.
- 4. The method according to claim 3, wherein in the
 10 determination step, the image forming apparatus to
 which the job information has been issued is specified
 in accordance with port information contained in the
 job information.
- 5. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether the output destination of the job corresponding to the job information is the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus.
- 20 6. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the determination step, a driver which has issued the job information is specified in accordance with driver information contained in the job information.
- 7. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the
 25 determination step, whether to record or accumulate the
 job information is determined on the basis of whether
 the job information acquired in the acquisition step

coincides with a condition contained in a non-recording target database prepared in advance.

8. The method according to claim 7, wherein the non-recording target database contains non-recording port information not to be recorded or accumulated, and

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in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether port information contained in the job information acquired in the acquisition step is the non-recording port information.

9. The method according to claim 7, wherein the non-recording target database contains non-recording driver information not to be recorded or accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether driver information contained in the job information acquired in the acquisition step is the non-recording driver information.

- 10. The method according to claim 7, further comprising a registration step of registering in the non-recording target database a condition of job information not to be recorded or accumulated.
- 25 11. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether

the job information acquired in the acquisition step coincides with a condition contained in a recording database prepared in advance.

12. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the recording/accumulation step, the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded is recorded in a database in a searchable format.

The method according to claim 1, wherein in the

recording/accumulation step, job information determined
in the determination step to be accumulated is
extracted and accumulated from pieces of acquired job
information, and grasp of the number of output pages or
charging of an output job is performed.

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- 14. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the

 determination step, whether to record or accumulate the

 job information is determined on the basis of whether

 the job information acquired in the acquisition step

 coincides with a condition contained in a non-recording

 target database prepared in advance.
- 20 15. The method according to claim 14, wherein the non-recording target database contains non-recording port information not to be recorded or accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or

25 accumulate the job information is determined on the

basis of whether port information contained in the job

information acquired in the acquisition step is the

non-recording port information.

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16. The method according to claim 14, wherein the non-recording target database contains non-recording driver information not to be recorded or accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether driver information contained in the job information acquired in the acquisition step is the non-recording driver information.

- 17. The method according to claim 14, further comprising a registration step of registering in the non-recording target database a condition of job information not to be recorded or accumulated.
- 15 18. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether the job information acquired in the acquisition step coincides with a condition contained in a recording database prepared in advance.
 - 19. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the recording/accumulation step, the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded is recorded in a database in a searchable format.
- 25 20. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the recording/accumulation step, job information determined in the determination step to be accumulated is

extracted and accumulated from pieces of acquired job information, and grasp of the number of output pages or charging of an output job is performed.

21. An information processing server which records or accumulates job information on a job issued to an image forming apparatus from an information processing client connected to a network, comprising:

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acquisition means for acquiring the job information from the information processing client or the image forming apparatus;

determination means for determining whether to record the job information acquired by said acquisition means, in accordance with a driver which generates data of the issued job; and

- recording/accumulation means for recording or accumulating the job information determined by said determination means to be recorded or accumulated.
 - 22. An information processing server which records or accumulates job information on a job issued to an image forming apparatus from an information processing client connected to a network, comprising:

acquisition means for acquiring the job information from the information processing client or the image forming apparatus;

determination means for determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired by said acquisition means, in accordance with an output

destination of a job corresponding to the job information; and

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recording/accumulation means for recording or accumulating the job information determined by said determination means to be recorded or accumulated.

23. An information processing system including:

an information processing client which issues a
job to an image forming apparatus that forms an image
in accordance with a received job; and

an information processing server which records job information on a job issued from the information processing client to the image forming apparatus,

wherein the information processing server comprises

a non-recording target database which stores a condition for job information not to be recorded,

means for registering or deleting the condition in or from the non-recording target database, and

transfer means for transferring the non-recording

20 target database to the information processing client, and

the information processing client comprises
determination means for determining whether to
transmit the job information to the information
processing server by looking up the non-recording
target database transferred from the information
processing server, and

transmission means for transmitting the job information determined by said determination means to be transmitted.

24. The system according to claim 23, wherein the information processing client further comprises

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a non-recording target database which stores a condition for job information not to be recorded, and means for registering or deleting the condition

the information processing server further comprises merge means for merging the non-recording target database in the information processing client and the non-recording target database in the information processing server.

in or from the non-recording target database, and

- 25. A program for managing job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus to an image forming apparatus, wherein the program causes a computer to execute
- an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus,

a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in the acquisition step, in accordance with a driver which generates data of the issued job, and

a recording/accumulation step of recording or

accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.

26. A program for managing job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus to an image forming apparatus, wherein the program causes a computer to execute

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an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus,

- a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in the acquisition step, in accordance with an output destination of a job corresponding to the job information, and
- a recording/accumulation step of recording or accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.